Komi Can't Communicate

WELL...
...SHALL WE VOTE ON IT?
UM...
YOU'RE TRYING TO WIN BY FORCING A VOTE.
I ALSO THINK KETCHUP TASTES GOOD ON FRIED EGGS.
ONLY WHEN THE YELLOW IS THOROUGHLY COOKED?!
BUT ONLY WHEN THE YELLOW IS THOROUGHLY COOKED.

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UM, WE ALREADY FINISHED DISCUSSING THAT TOPIC.
...
SIIIIIIIIILENCE
Um...
SHE'S FALLEN SILENT AGAIN!!
...
UM, GETTING BACK ON TOPIC—
URGH
URGH
WHAT'S WITH THAT GIRL?!
?!
TRRRMBL
KLATTA KLAT
W-WHAT DOES EVERYONE L-L-LIKE SECOND MOST ON F-F-F-FRIED EGGS?

NOT THAT THAT MATTERS HERE!
BUT SHE SURE IS PRETTY!
VVVRRRRR
I THINK SHE MIGHT NOT BE!!
IS SHE OKAY?!
JAM ?!
WE ALSO LIKE JAM ON FRIED EGGS!♪
OH NO! I'M GETTING FLUSTERED!
GAACK
Awww...
How can we achieve world
On fried eggs ?!
NO! JAM IS OUT OF THE QUESTION! ANYTHING BUT JAM!
DON'T ENCOURAGE THEM!
UM... WHAT KIND OF JAM?

How can we
THEY DISAGREED ?!
STRAW-BERRY!
MARMALADE!
BLUE-BERRY!
HOW ABOUT YOU...
... EGYPT?
K
THANK YOU FOR ANSWERING.
Huh? ...?
OBELISK?!!
OBELISK.
?!
ボーカンボーン
KA POW
GRAH
GRAH
NO! BLUE-BERRY TASTES BEST!
NO, MAR-MALADE IS SUPREME !!
IT'S GOTTA BE STRAW-BERRY!

WHAT A DISAAAAASTER!!
UUUUUUUUGH
BLAH BLAH
BLAH BLAH
WAAH
GYAAH!
KA THOK
UM...
...HOW ABOUT YOU, T-TADANO?
...H-HOW...
I should go home and study...
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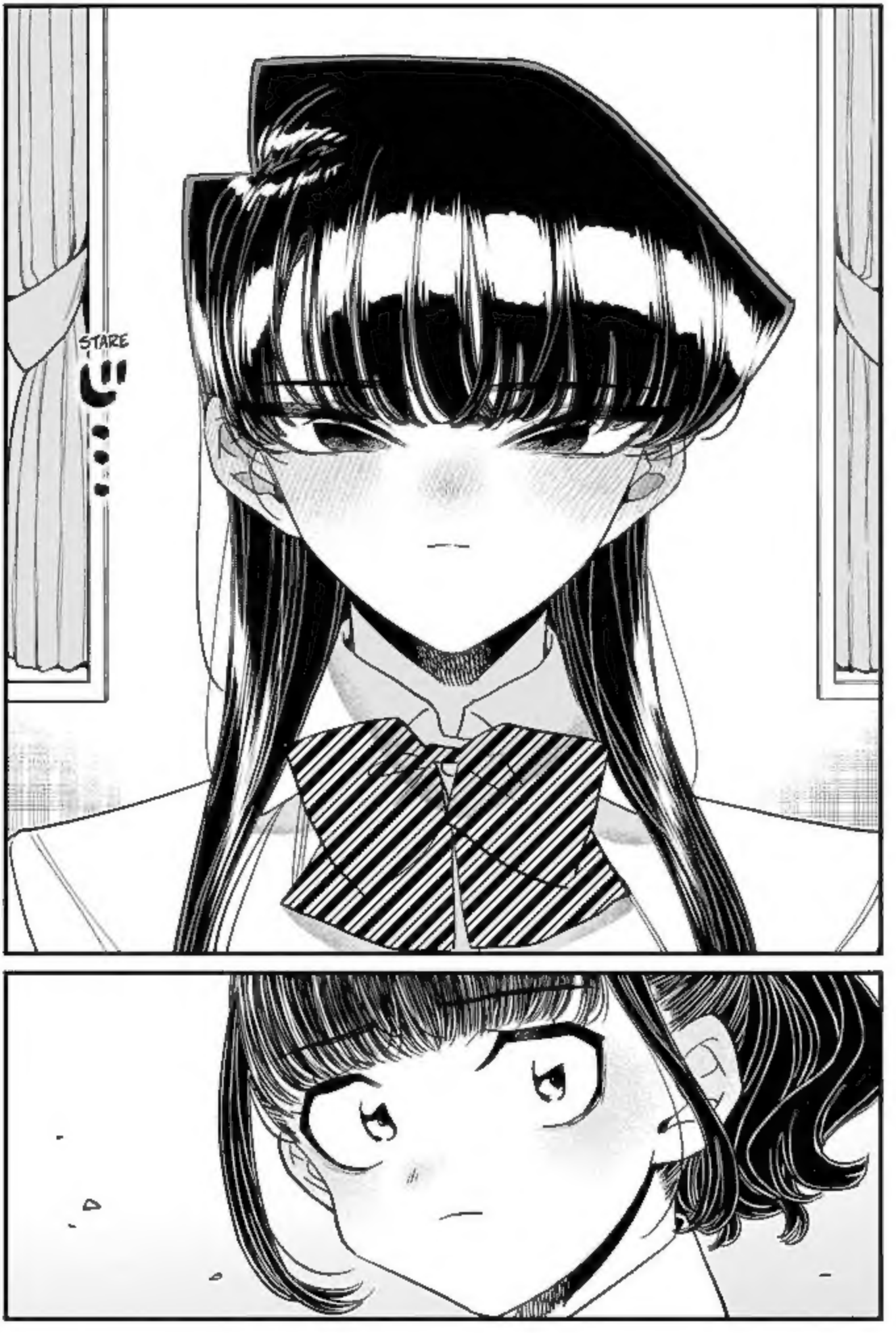
UH, TADANO?
!
Urgh...
WHAT IS SHE THINKING?!
SHE MESSED EVERYTHING UP, AND NOW SHE WANTS MY OPINION?!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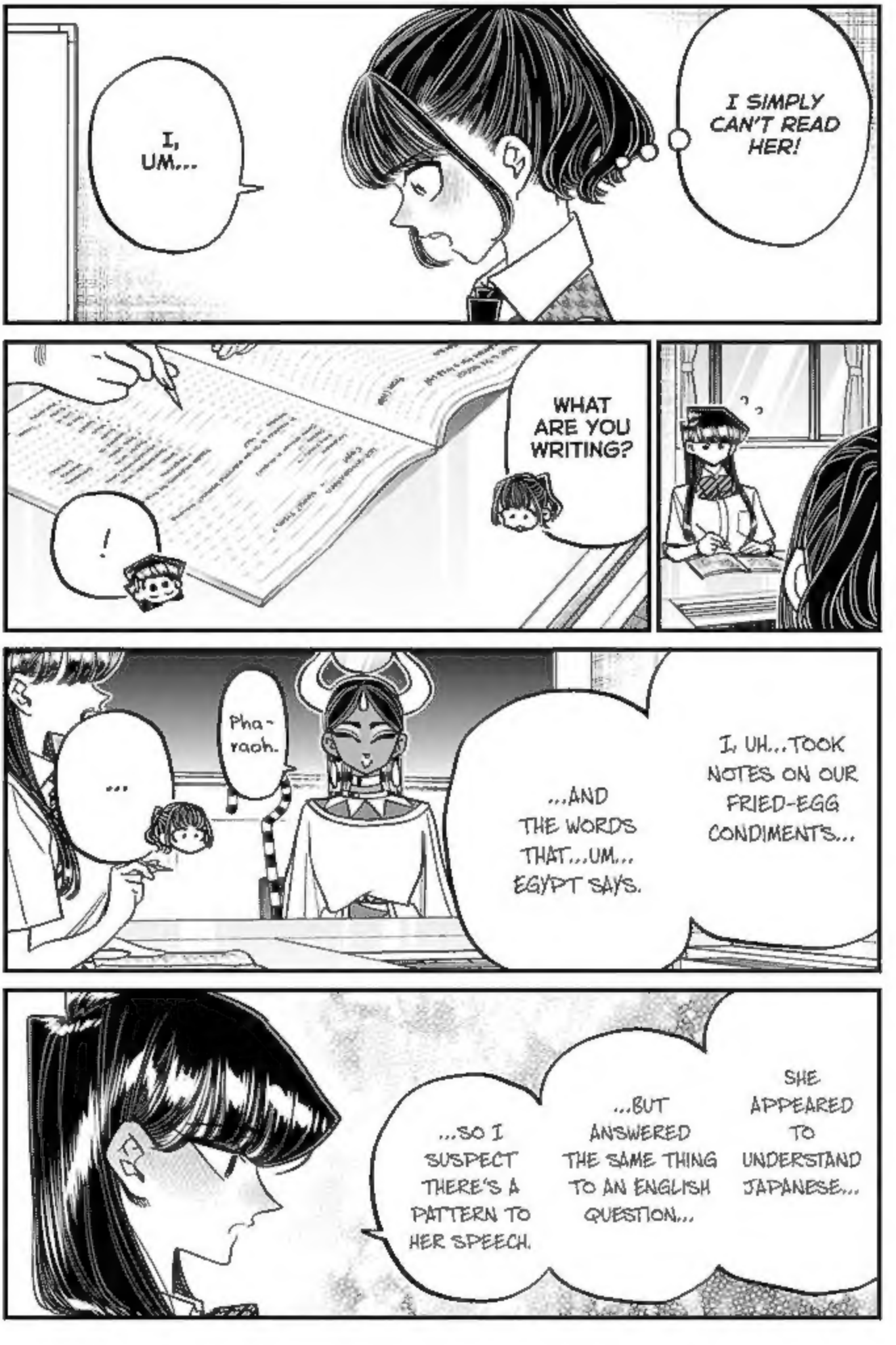

I, UM...
I SIMPLY CAN'T READ HER!
!
WHAT ARE YOU WRITING?
?
...
Pha-raoh.
I, UH...TOOK NOTES ON OUR FRIED-EGG CONDIMENTS...
...AND THE WORDS THAT...UM... EGYPT SAYS.
SHE APPEARED TO UNDERSTAND JAPANESE...
...BUT ANSWERED THE SAME THING TO AN ENGLISH QUESTION...
...SO I SUSPECT THERE'S A PATTERN TO HER SPEECH.

...!
!
ウチモヤルー!!!
LET'S DECODE!!!
WHAT???!!! SOUNDS LIKE A CODE! COOL!!! WE WANNA FIGURE IT OUT TOO!!!
First, let's figure out "yes" and "no"!
How can we achieve world peace?
HER FIRST WORD WAS "EGYPT"...
...AND THAT'S WHEN I GAVE UP ON COMMUNICATING WITH HER.

SOME-HOW.
...I ACTED LIKE SHE WASN'T EVEN THERE.
I MUSTN'T BLAME OTHERS.
NO..
SHAKE SHAKE
AND BY THE SECOND TOPIC...
Love & Peace
HANDS ARE FOR HANDSHAKES
LOVE AND PEACE!!!

How c
achie

BUT THAT GIRL KEPT TRYING TO UNDERSTAND HER.

How can we achieve world peace?

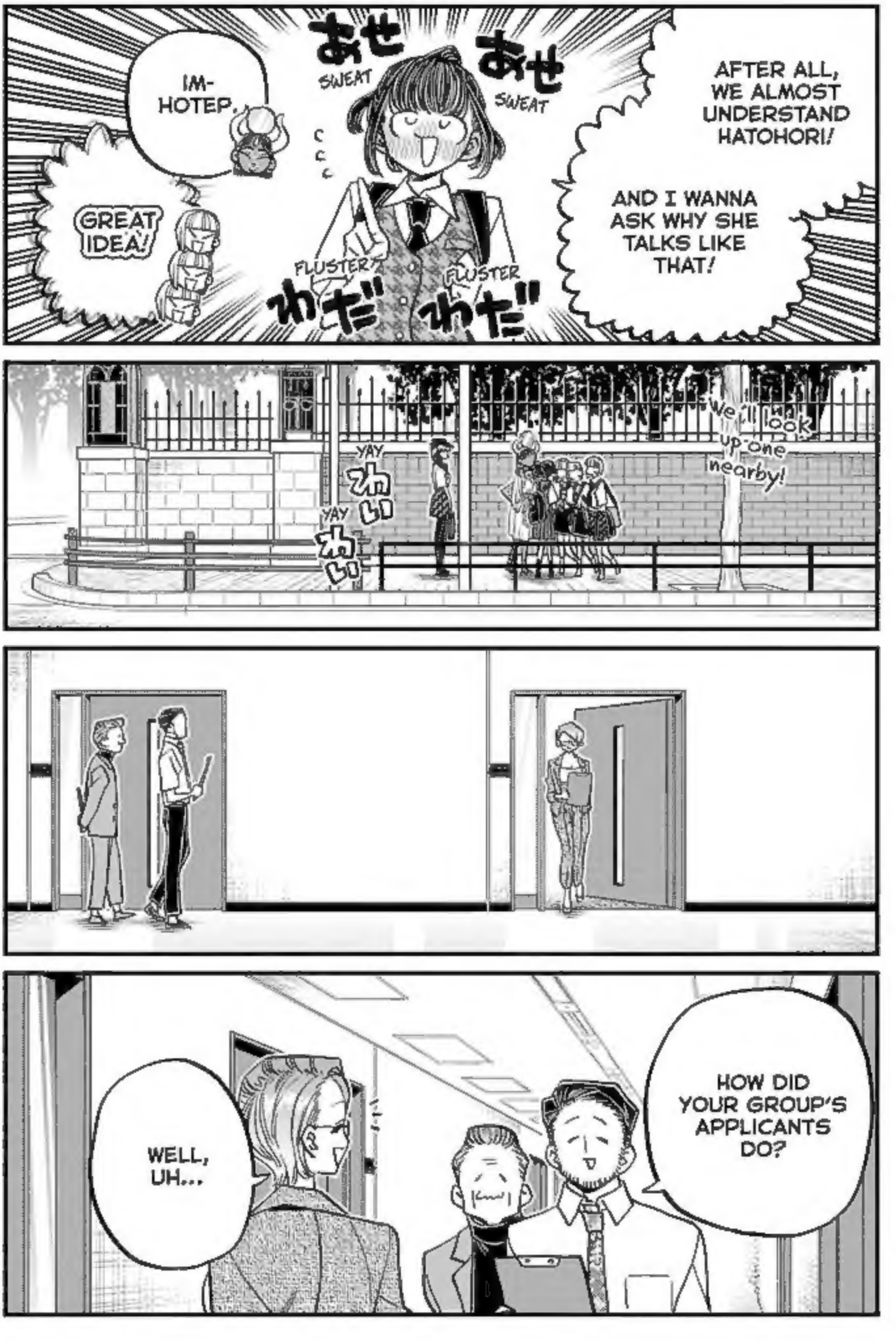
I, UM...
How can achieve peace?
I WANT TO HELP TOO!
NO, WAIT.
!

YOU CAN'T JOIN WITHOUT ANSWERING!
!
YOU NEVER SAID WHAT YOU LIKE SECOND MOST ON FRIED EGGS, MARUKO!
JAPANESE PEPPER?!
UM... JAPANESE PEPPER.

WHAT ?!
HUH?! WELL, I DON'T USE IT EVERY TIME!! YOU LIKE WASABI 'N' SOY SAUCE AND JAM, SO YOU CAN'T CRITICIZE ME!!
YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO CRITICIZE US!!!
What's that even taste like?!

GLOOOM
WE SO FAILED.
GLOOM
Sphinx.
...SO IT'S 100 PERCENT CERTAIN.
WE GOT DISTRACTED BY CODE-BREAKING AND RAN OUT OF TIME BEFORE WE EVEN DISCUSSED THE TOPIC...
She spaced out a moment.
Sorry.
I PUT ON SALT AND PEPPER A LOT TOO!
YEAH, S-SIMPLE IS GOOD! IT TASTES GREAT!
After Komi suggested salt...
KOMI, YOU DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE WE HAD CHANGED TOPICS.
...

UM!
The train ride home is three hours!
Let's get outta here!
come true
me true
SORRY IF I SNAPPED AT YOU, SANKOICHI!
AW, THAT'S OKAY! WE'RE SORRY TOO!
WE PUSHED FOR A CONCLUSION TOO AGGRESSIVELY.
YEAH, UH...
...NO PROBLEM.
I GUESS THEY'RE NOT SO BAD!
...
WOULD YOU, UM...
...LIKE TO HANG OUT FOR A BIT...
...AT A FAMILY REST-AURANT?


IM-HOTEP.
GREAT IDEA!
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SWEAT
あせ
SWEAT
FLUSTER
わたわた
FLUSTER
AFTER ALL, WE ALMOST UNDERSTAND HATOHORI!
AND I WANNA ASK WHY SHE TALKS LIKE THAT!
YAY
わい
YAY
わい
We'll look up one nearby!
WELL, UH...
HOW DID YOUR GROUP'S APPLICANTS DO?

...AND JUST SAID, "WE DUNNO."
...THEY DIDN'T REACH A CONCLUSION ON THE SECOND TOPIC...
...BY SAYING, "WE DON'T KNOW WHAT TASTES BEST ON FRIED EGGS, BUT WE DID LEARN WHAT CONDIMENT EVERYONE LIKES."
CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT?
AND THEY AVOIDED ANSWERING THE FIRST TOPIC...
WELL, SOME GROUPS HAVE...
NOT THE BEST GROUP THEN, HUH?
...A CERTAIN CHEMIST-RY.

To be continued!